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Ms. Brea Grace
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RE: Ashland Ore Dock: Permit and License dated July 16, 2010

Dear Ms. Grace:

This is in response to your letter dated August 31, 2010 related to CN's letter dated August 23, 2010 concerning the demolition permit issued by the City of Ashland on July 16, 2010.

While you have indicated in your letter that the City is unwilling to be flexible with the conditions established by the City in the demolition permit, CN believes that it would be beneficial to both parties to review the conditions set by the City as well as CN's concerns with regard to those conditions.

Please accept my appreciation for your willingness to meet with CN's representatives and the opportunity to explain our issues in person. CN suggests that a meeting with you, Mayor Whalen, City Department Heads, City Attorney, as well as any of the addressee agencies be convened as soon as possible. CN's representatives are available to meet in Ashland on September 20, 22, 27 and 28. In the event that those dates are not convenient for the City, I would appreciate if you would let me know alternative dates that accommodate the schedules for the City's representatives.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, I can be reached at 708-332-5475.

Sincerely,

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